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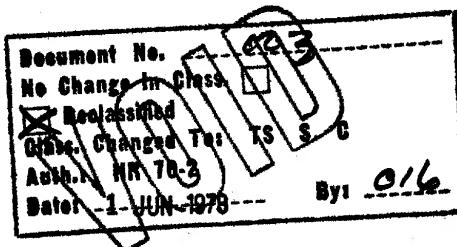
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1. Active resistance to the Hoxha regime in Albania has fallen to a fraction of what it was in 1945. Most of the organized resistance groups are avoiding armed encounters. Reasons given for this are that such encounters can lead to nothing unless they are supported by a strong foreign power, that they frequently lead to reprisals against the innocent population, and that arms and ammunition for effective work are lacking in any case.
2. All the known resistance groups are nationalist; no evidence of Koci Xoxe followers taking refuge in the mountains has been encountered.
3. However, in spite of the lack of active resistance, disaffection with the Hoxha regime is great even among communists. The disaffection appears strong in the army and the police, among forced laborers and collectivized farmers, and among the relatives of the many persons being held in concentration camps. All signs indicate that a strong resistance potential does exist.

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